



## Small Quantity Generator Training

This fact sheet summarizes the regulatory training requirements for small quantity generators of hazardous waste.

### Small Quantity Generator

A business is classified as a Small Quantity Generator (SQG) if the business generates, in any single month, between 27 and 270 gallons (100 to 1,000 kilograms/220 and 2,000 pounds) of hazardous waste and accumulates no more than 13,200 pounds (6,000 kilograms) of hazardous waste onsite at any time. SQG may not hold or accumulate more than 2.2 pounds (1 kilogram) of acutely or extremely hazardous waste for more than 90 days.

### SQG Training Requirements

SQGs must ensure that all of their employees are familiar with proper waste handling and emergency procedures relevant to their responsibilities during normal facility operations and emergencies.

Although as SQG there is no legal mandate for training documentation, it is highly recommended as a tool to demonstrate compliance with this requirement. It is also recommended that employees receive annual refresher training.

### Hazardous Materials Training Program

Many SQGs handle reportable quantities of hazardous materials. The state hazardous materials threshold reporting quantities are 55 gallons for hazardous liquids, 500 pounds for hazardous solids, and 200 cubic feet for compressed gases.

Businesses that handle reportable quantities of hazardous materials are required to provide hazardous materials handler training to their employees. The minimum requirements for a training program include the following:

- Methods for safe handling of hazardous materials
- Procedures for coordination with the local emergency response organizations
- Training in the use of emergency response equipment and supplies under the control of the handler
- Training in the emergency response plan and procedures listed in the facility's hazardous materials business plan

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**Note:** This fact sheet is intended for informational purposes only and may not encompass all the laws and regulations to this topic. More details may be found at Cal/EPA Department of Toxic Substance Control: [www.dtsc.ca.gov](http://www.dtsc.ca.gov). If further information is needed, call the County of Los Angeles CUPA at (323) 890-4045, or your local district office.

### References

- [Code of Federal Regulations 262.34\(d\)\(5\)\(iii\)](#)
- [California Health and Safety Code 25503, 25504\(c\)](#)
- [Title 19 California Code of Regulations 2732](#)
- [Title 22 California Code of Regulations 66265.16\(e\)](#)